AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [73] with the following amended paragraph:

[73]   Fig. 4D illustrates a detailed description of a data chunk 320 according to an embodiment of the present invention. Each data chunk [[340]]320 includes a chunk meta-data portion 350, packet meta-data 360, packet match bits 370, and packet payloads 380.

In addition, please replace paragraph [74] with the following amended paragraph:

[74]   In this embodiment, chunk meta-data portion 350 is used to store data about data chunk [[340]]320. For example, chunk meta-data portion 350 may specify the number of packet payloads (packets) 380, a file offset for a previous data chunk within the same data object, a file offset for the next data chunk within the same data object, the number of data packets in a data chunk, compressed packet meta-data for the packets, described below, and the like. In additional embodiments, the data chunk meta-data header may also include packet meta-data for all the data packets including the duration (playback duration) of the payload, the presentation time of the payload (e.g., time within a movie), the delivery time of the payload (a time SMPACER 130 delivers the payload to the client), protocol-specific data of the payload, and the like. Other types of data may be store in chunk meta-data portion 350 in other embodiments, such as timing information, and the like.

2